Platform No. 9

2816/8476	Puri/Neelachal Expresses	0530	0635
2621	Tamil Nadu Express	0645	0730
2301/2305	Rajdhani Express	0950	1200
2406/2405	New Delhi-Ludhiana Superfast Express	1230	1305
4645	Shalimar Express	1530	1610
2302/2306	Rajdhani Express	1730	1840
2903	Frontier Mail	1900	2005
4518	Unchahar Express	2040	2115
2622	Tamil Nadu Express	2130	2230

(b) No, Sir. Taking into consideration the dealing of Passengers/Shuttles including EMUs all Platforms are intensively utilised.

(c) Does not arise.

Commissioning of Konkan Railway Project

3014. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Konkan Railway Project was to be completed and commissioned by October, 1994 ;

(b) if so, has there been any slippage in the schedule for completion of work;

(c) in case the reply to (a) and (b) is in the positive the stage upto which the work has been completed as on date may be mentioned;

(d) whether there is any proposal to commission the stages which have been completed before October; and

(e) if not, whether there is any other contingency plan to ensure that the total cost of the project does not exceed the ceiling or the excess cost is recovered by stage-wise commissioning ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. C. LENKA) : (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) and (d) Work on the 68 kms. long Mangalore-Udupi section of the project has already been completed and the line has been opened to passenger traffic in March, 1993.

47 kms. Long Roha-Veer (Dasgaon) section has been completed and is ready for being opened to traffic soon after the end of the monsoon.

As on date, the overall physical progress of the entire project is 50%.

(e) No further stage-wise commissioning is proposed for the rest of the project, as the likely returns from such partial commissioning will not be commensurate with the operational and maintenance cost.

Every effort is being made to ensure that the total cost of the Project does not exceed the estimated cost except for the increase due to inflationary element.

Appointment of Physiotherapist in the Northern Railway Hospital, Moradabad

3015. SHRI G. Y. KRISHNAN : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) the progress made so far in the matter of selection and appointment of a Physiotherapist in the Northern Railway Hospital, Moradabad, which had been hanging on for the last more than two years or so;

(b) whether Government are aware of the agony and hardship which the Railway employees—both serving and retired—have to undergo for want of a qualified Physiotherapist in the above Hospital; and

(c) what gap arrangements Government propose to make to afford necessary relief to the afflicted Railway employees pending the final selection and appointment of the Physiotherapist ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. C. LENKA) : (a) A repeat indent for filling up the post of Physiotherapist at Moradabad has been sent to Railway Recruitment Board, Allahabad as persons selected on the first indent did not join.

(b) and (c) Till duly recruited Physiotherapist takes over, temporary arrangement of a suitable person, trained locally, has already been made. Cases requiring more sophisticated treatment are referred to Northern Railway, Central Hospital, New Delhi.

Sleeper Coach Facility in Train between Bijnor and Allahabad

3016. SHRI ASHIS SEN : Will the Minister